Pick-WIC Paper

NORTH DAKOTA WIC PROGRAM

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Happy

Valentines

●Day!

Oatmeal Pancakes Fresh Apple Cereal Bars Cereal Mix Bran Banana Bread

Oatmeal Pancakes

11/2 cups oatmeal or 41/2 packets instant oatmeal

3/4 cup whole wheat flour or all-purpose flour

- 1 tablespoon white sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 2 tablespoons canola or vegetable oil
- 2 cups buttermilk (substitution: 2 cups fat free skim or 1% milk plus 2 teaspoons vinegar or lemon juice)
- 1 egg
- 1. In a large bowl, mix together oatmeal, flour, sugar and baking soda.
- 2. Add the oil, buttermilk and egg. Stir until completely mixed.
- Let the batter stand at room temperature for 30 minutes (so oatmeal can absorb some liquid).
- 4. Drop ¼ cup pancake mixture on a preheated griddle or frying pan.
- 5. Bake until bubbles form, then turn and bake on the other side.
- 6. Serve with syrup or fruit topping (like warm applesauce).

Nutrition Note: This recipe makes 12 pancakes. Each pancake has 110 calories, 4 grams of fat, 4 grams of protein, 15 grams of carbohydrates and 190 milligrams sodium.

Tips for Healthy Snacking

Go for Great Whole Grains: Offer whole-wheat breads, popcorn and whole-grain cereals that are high in fiber and low in added sugars, saturated fat and sodium. Limit refined-grain products such as snack bars, cakes and sweetened cereals.

Fresh Apple Cereal Bars

2 cups wheat Chex-type cereal

11/4 cups brown sugar

½ cup margarine

1/4 cup fat free skim or 1% milk

1 egg

1³/₄ cups all-purpose flour

11/2 teaspoons ground cinnamon

1 teaspoon baking soda

2 cups shredded apples (about 2 medium apples)

½ cup raisins

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly coat a 9x13-inch pan with nonstick cooking spray.
- 2. Crush cereal; set aside.
- In a large bowl, mix together brown sugar, margarine, milk and egg until well blended.
- 4. Stir in cereal, flour, cinnamon and baking soda. Mix together. Stir in apples and raisins.
- 5. Spread in pan. The mixture will be thick, so spread evenly.
- 6. Bake 30 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean.

Nutrition Note: This recipe makes 24 bars. Each bar has 150 calories, 4 grams of fat, 2 grams of protein, 28 grams of carbohydrates and 135 milligrams of sodium.

${\it Breast feeding:}$

Why breastfeed?

"My mother breastfed my siblings and I. My sister breastfed her three boys before I had my son. I really didn't even think about formula feeding as an option, even though I did struggle the first month with my son. After now breastfeeding my son for 17 months and my daughter for 15 months and still going strong, I can see the special bond we have, and I think breastfeeding made it stronger."

~ Barb, WIC Breastfeeding Mom from the Grand Forks Air Force Base

For more information about breastfeeding, check out our breastfeeding website at www.ndhealth.gov/breastfeeding.



Cereal Mix

5 cups WIC cereal (a variety such as Kix, any Chex-type cereal, any Cheerios-type cereal, Crispix, Life-type cereal, frosted shredded wheat, Alpha Bits)

2 tablespoons melted margarine

- Preheat oven to 325 degrees.
- Place cereal in a large bowl.
- Drizzle margarine over cereal and toss.
- Sprinkle one of the flavoring mixes below over the cereal. Toss.
- Place cereal on a baking sheet.
- Bake for 15 minutes.

Cinnamon/Sugar Mix: 1 teaspoon cinnamon mixed with 3 tablespoons white sugar

Pumpkin Pie Spice Mix: 1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice mixed with 3 tablespoons white sugar

Taco Mix: 21/2 tablespoons taco seasoning mix

Seasoned Salt Mix: Mix 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce with melted butter before drizzling on cereal. Sprinkle cereal with 1 teaspoon seasoned salt.

For the next two mixes, drizzle 2 tablespoons canola or vegetable oil over the cereal instead of the margarine.

Parmesan Mix: 2 tablespoons parmesan cheese, 1 teaspoon garlic powder and 1/2 teaspoon salt

Ranch Dressing Mix: 1/2 package dry ranch dressing mix



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Bran Banana Bread

2 cups all-purpose flour 1 teaspoon baking powder

½ teaspoon baking soda

½ teaspoon salt

11/2 cups mashed ripe bananas

21/2 cups bran flakes cereal

½ cup margarine, softened

3/4 cup white sugar

2 eggs



- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Coat a 9x5x3-inch loaf pan with nonstick cooking spray.
- In a bowl, stir together flour, baking powder, soda and salt.
- In a separate bowl, combine mashed bananas and cereal; let stand 2 minutes.
- In another separate large bowl, beat margarine and sugar. Beat in eggs and cereal mixture. Stir in flour mixture. Spread in the loaf pan.
- Bake for 60 minutes. Let cool 10 minutes before removing from pan.

Nutrition Note: This recipe makes 12 slices. Each slice has 260 calories, 9 grams of fat, 4 grams of protein, 42 grams of carbohydrates and 340 milligrams of sodium.

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How can I use cereal?

Hot or right out of the box, cereals are the perfect start to your day. They make great snacks and can be used as a quick evening meal. Many dry cereals or uncooked hot cereals can be added to casseroles and used as "breading" for fish and chicken. They can also be used as a topping for fruit, yogurt and ice cream. Try blending two kinds of cereal for a new flavor. WIC cereals are a good source of iron and are low in sugar.